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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
Sent: Friday, August-03, 2007 10:59 PM  
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR)  
Subject: Re: HOT - PPT/RFA deadline

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-----Original Message-----

From: Tom Irwin  
To: Governor Sarah Palin  
To: Anders, Bruce F (DNR)  
To: Patrick S Galvin  
To: Martha K Rutherford  
To: Joseph R Balash  
To: Michael A Tibbles  
To: Michael A Nizich  
To: Tom Irwin  
Sent: Aug 3, 2007 10:23 PM  
Subject: RE: HOT - PPT/RFA deadline

Governor, thanks from all of us for supporting the team!

-----Original Message-----

From: "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>  
To: "Anders, Bruce F (DNR)" <bruce.anders@alaska.gov>; "Patrick S Galvin" <patrick\_galvin@revenue.state.ak.us>; "Martha K Rutherford" <marty\_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us>; "Joseph R Balash" <joe\_balash@gov.state.ak.us>; "Michael A Tibbles" <mike\_tibbles@gov.state.ak.us>; "Michael A Nizich" <mike\_nizich@gov.state.ak.us>; "Tom Irwin" <tom\_irwin@dnr.state.ak.us>  
Sent: 8/3/07 7:53 PM  
Subject: Re: HOT - PPT/RFA deadline

Bruce has some darn good reasons he's articulated re: AGIA extension. Darn it. So go forth, and just let me know before you put out the statement that we look forward to receiving apps by Nov 30. Thanks!

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 03, 2007 3:13 PM  
**To:** Monegan; Walt C (DPS)  
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)  
**Subject:** Letter to Editor :(

Walt- is it true the troopers have a cadillac escalade in its fleet, as is reported in jennifer clark's letter to the ADN editor today? If not true, pls respnd to her letter with a follow up letter to be published in ADN (asap, please!) And if it's true -why in the world would AST have an escalade? If it was confiscated property, your letter can clarify.

Hopefully our Communications people are scanning for these types of public complaintants against us so I can quit loosing sleep over the need to scan media to catch things like this. Hopefully you were already informed of this complaint and your folks were responding, publicly, to it?

Thanks! Sharon and/or Kris can help get a response out, too.

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 03, 2007 12:45 PM  
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Von Scheben; Leo (DOT)  
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)  
**Subject:** DOT bridges Re: Correction

Sharon: pls touch base with Leo again (and his media person) to make sure they know what I said in press conf re: AK DOT inspecting the six bridges that are similar to Minnesota's failed bridge.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)  
**To:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Fri Aug 03 09:07:11 2007  
**Subject:** Correction

Good Morning Governor -

Steve Quinn will clarify the fact that you have only traveled outside once (since session) in the next story that moves on the AP. That will be at about 11:15 ref: special session.

I watched the 5 6 and 10 Channel 2 report. The fact that you will announce a date and poll lawmakers on where to have the session is definitely "releasing details". Also, Tibbles says the revenue report can be released. I think we are fine. I reiterated to all of the reporters who called yesterday that you have never wavered on a special session and that you favor having it somewhere on the road system.

I just got a call from the D.O.T. The Feds are asking all states that have bridges with the same design as the one that collapsed in Minnesota to inspect them ASAP. Alaska has 5 of them. If you could make a brief announcement as the press conference gets underway that would be great. I will have info for you. Not that you have to be reminded - but please add that your thoughts and prayers are with the families of this horrific tragedy.

Thanks!

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From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)

Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2007 10:31 PM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Rutherford, Martha K (DNR); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

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**Subject:** Re: Correct

Fyi for msging today.

----- Original Message -----

**From:** PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)  
**To:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**Sent:** Fri Aug 03 06:55:42 2007  
**Subject:** Re: Correct

Messaging special session: can we say it's about restoring trust and creating a climate of investment here (leading to jobs for Alaskans and a fair share for the state)

The restoring trust part of the message is about removing the taint of corruption and starting anew, the creating a climate of investment part speaks to what's in it for Alaskans and says that we are about creating new wealth here...we are not about moving money from Alaskans' pockets to fund state govt. (Philosophically we're saying we support giving everyone the opportunity to prosper through new investment to the state--wealth creation, not redistribution.)

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)  
**To:** Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)  
**Cc:** Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Balash, Joseph R (GOV)  
**Sent:** Fri Aug 03 04:52:47 2007  
**Subject:** Re: Correct

Thanks!

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 2 Aug 2007 23:37:53

To: "Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)" <govpalin@alaska.gov>, "Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>, "PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)" <sr.parnell@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: Correct

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Sent: 8/2/2007 10:34 PM

Subject: Fw: Correct

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Cc: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Rutherford, Martha K (DNR); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

Sent: Thu Aug 02 22:31:21 2007

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Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Balash; Joseph R (GOV)  
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**From:** Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=EFAGERSTROM]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 03, 2007 5:42 PM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Subject:** RE: Perishable Food

I understand about the tub, that's a bummer though. You have to do what you think is best, but I really wanted you to have a relaxing Jacuzzi tub. :)

Sorry we missed getting the freezer items to you! I know you don't want things to go to waste, so next time we'll have all of those items boxed up and ready to go. Please let me know if freezer space is an issue. I'm not 100% sure that the king crab is still good, but I'll double check on Monday, freezer burned crab (or anything else) doesn't sound too good.

We do have some steak that's packaged in single servings that I think will be perfect when you are here (they were ordered early this summer, so I won't send those). If at some point-- we get through what's in the freezer-and you would like me to place an order- I think the meat packaged for *single servings* might just be the ticket.

Thanks for all that you do for our state and your hard work!!

God's strength and wisdom to you ~and His blessings upon you and your family!

Have a good weekend!

Erika

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 03, 2007 12:41 PM  
**To:** Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)  
**Subject:** Re: Perishable Food

I think it would look bad to have a jacuzzi ordered - and somehow someone would find out and make a fuss about it.

I'm sorry I didnt get to 'round up the food! It seems like we're doing a lot of entertaining at the wasilla house - and Anchorage office - so I'd be delighted to take some of the soon-to-be-freezer burned food and we'll definetly use it up! I didnt get to it this morning bc I had to get Willow to the airport by 6:00. So I can get it next time? Or somehow we can transfer it...

Thanks for everything! It was a fast and furious trip w/a packed agenda and we got a lot accomplished. Tell Diane and Suzi thanks also.

Love,

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From: "Fagerstrom, Erika (GOV)" <erika.fagerstrom@alaska.gov>

Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2007 10:47:15

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Perishable Food

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When it is replaced, what type of tub would you like - whirlpool, soaking or just a regular tub? If I don't hear back about the tub, I'll just go with a whirlpool type.

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**Sent:** Friday, August 03, 2007 8:45 AM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Subject:** RE: Yahoo! News Story - Governors order new bridge inspections - Yahoo! News

Will do. I have already started the process. LEO

-----Original Message-----

**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 02, 2007 7:05 PM  
**To:** Von Scheben, Leo (DOT)  
**Cc:** Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)  
**Subject:** Fw: Yahoo! News Story - Governors order new bridge inspections - Yahoo! News

Hi Leo -

We'll want to make sure we are assuring the public re: our bridge and highway maint. schedules, especially now w/recent Minn tragedy.

Thank you!

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Sean Parnell  
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin  
**ReplyTo:** Privileged or Personal Mat  
**Sent:** Aug 2, 2007 6:40 PM  
**Subject:** Yahoo! News Story - Governors order new bridge inspections - Yahoo! News

Sean Parnell (sparnell@alaska.com) has sent you a news article.

(Email address has not been verified.)

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Personal message:

Thought you might like to see this if you haven't already.

Governors order new bridge inspections - Yahoo! News

[http://news.yahoo.com/s/ap/20070802/ap\\_on\\_re\\_us/bridge\\_collapse\\_inspections\\_2](http://news.yahoo.com/s/ap/20070802/ap_on_re_us/bridge_collapse_inspections_2)

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**Sent:** Friday, August 03, 2007 6:07 PM  
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'  
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); 'Todd Palin'; Mason; Janice L (GOV)  
**Subject:** Bridge Builders

FYI, Elsa Sargento (formerly of the Alaska State Community Service Commission) is the President of Bridge Builders and Angelina Burney (from Commerce) is the Vice President. From what I learned today, you will be sitting at Elsa's table. Also, Reverend Patterson from Shiloh will be performing the Invocation. He is sitting with Malcolm Roberts.

Janice told me that she spoke w/you and it is not necessary that I staff tomorrow evening's event. I did want to let you know that I (and Clark) will be there, although at a different table. Pastor Thomas Davis invited us to attend.

This afternoon Sharon gave me a copy of the event overview and speech for you. I'll drop off at your house tomorrow early afternoon.

Also, I will not be in the office on Monday. Tibbles is aware. I will be back in the office Tuesday afternoon. While out, I'll be connected via phone and email.

Thanks,  
Kris

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**From:** John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]  
**Sent:** Friday, August 03, 2007 5:34 AM  
**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com  
**Cc:** Larry Persily; Michael Tibbles  
**Subject:** Re: Fw: follow up on call from Gov.

Thanks for your note. I am more concerned about Alaska's image than at any point in my 38 year love affair with Alaska.

The image factor is difficult to quantify, but there can be no question that negative perceptions have and will affect federal policy relating to Alaska. It wasn't that long ago that a large majority of Americans viewed Alaska in positive terms. A Dittman poll about a year and a half ago showed this.

My guess is that in the aftermath of corruption investigations, bridges to nowhere, etc, the poll results would be different today. In Congress, Alaska's stature and credibility have undoubtedly been diminished, and certain members are now emboldened to make proposals inimical to our interests.

In my opinion, there is no simple solution. However, I would like to use the resources of this office to assist you not only to improve Alaska's image but to develop creditable public policy initiatives.

Your thoughts on the Ketchikan Bridge are a good place to start. I think we can make some good public policy while projecting a more responsible image to the rest of the nation. Hopefully, we can help identify other such issues, work with you and the Cabinet to develop responsible positions, and then figure out how best to convey these policies to federal decision makers and the general public.

The Alaska gas pipeline is another prime example. The Palin administration has already had some success in conveying the message that Alaska has vast quantities of oil and natural gas that we are ready and willing to provide to US consumers.

Thanks for including us in your thinking about this.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is [jwkatz@alaskadc.org](mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org). Thank you .

>>> On 8/2/2007 at 7:53 PM, in message <1775255535-1186098802-cardhu\_decombobulator\_blackberry.rim.net-135519013-@bxe039.bisx.prod.on.blackberry>, <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> wrote:

Thanks, both of you, for your input on B2N earmarks. Just had another Outside reporter call to ask opinions on our image throughout nation.

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Both of you have great insights and can help us get to a better place, image-wise, in this country. Thanks!

I called Rep Young. Even he isn't defending Gravina so much anymore, but is still passionate about Knik.

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From: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2007 15:08:20

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: follow up on call from Gov.

FYI

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From: Price, Jeremy [mailto:Jeremy.Price@mail.house.gov]

Sent: Thursday, August 02, 2007 2:36 PM

To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Subject: follow up on call from Gov.

Mike, Gov. Palin spoke with Congressman Young this morning about her concerns regarding funding for the Minneapolis bridge tragedy. Please inform the Gov. that Congressman Young's friend and colleague and the new chairman of the House Transportation Committee, James Oberstar of Minnesota, rushed a bill through the Committee today that would take \$250 million from the general treasury rather than the Highway Trust Fund to go towards the Minneapolis bridge reconstruction. Coincidentally, when Congressman Young was the chairman of Transportation, he and Congressman Oberstar made an emergency account for situations like this in the SAFETEA-LU highway law. Unfortunately, tragedies like the bridge collapse in California have drained the emergency funding from that account. So, please let the Gov. know that Congress will be sure that the folks in Minnesota will be taken care of.

Thanks,

Jeremy

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